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M.U. Medical Center's speech program combats nature's misuses. (See story on page 6.)

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PROGRESS TOO TOUGH—When officials of St. Charles County, Missouri, ordered a computer to speed book work, they got more than they bargained for. Staff members in four county offices complained the equipment was too complicated and refused to use it. The county has completed arrangements to return the computer.

PREISLER AT IT AGAIN—Attorney Paul W. Preisler, who went to court to force reapportionment of the Missouri Legislature, filed a federal suit today challenging apportionment of St. Louis' 28 wards. Preisler also has a suit pending before the U. S. Supreme Court challenging apportionment of Missouri congressional districts.

National

STEEL STRIKE THREAT FADES—A top official of the United Steelworkers Union was quoted as saying in Pittsburgh today that a new labor agreement should be ready for approval tomorrow or Wednesday averting a nationwide steel strike set for Thursday. Earlier story on Page 3.)

GARY CURFEW LIFTED—Mayor Richard G. Hatcher lifted his curfew today as calm returned to Gary, Ind., after a weekend of violence that left six persons injured and 170 under arrest. Hatcher, a Negro, said he would impose a curfew again if disorders flared tonight. He retained the ban on gasoline sales in containers. (Early story on Page 14.)

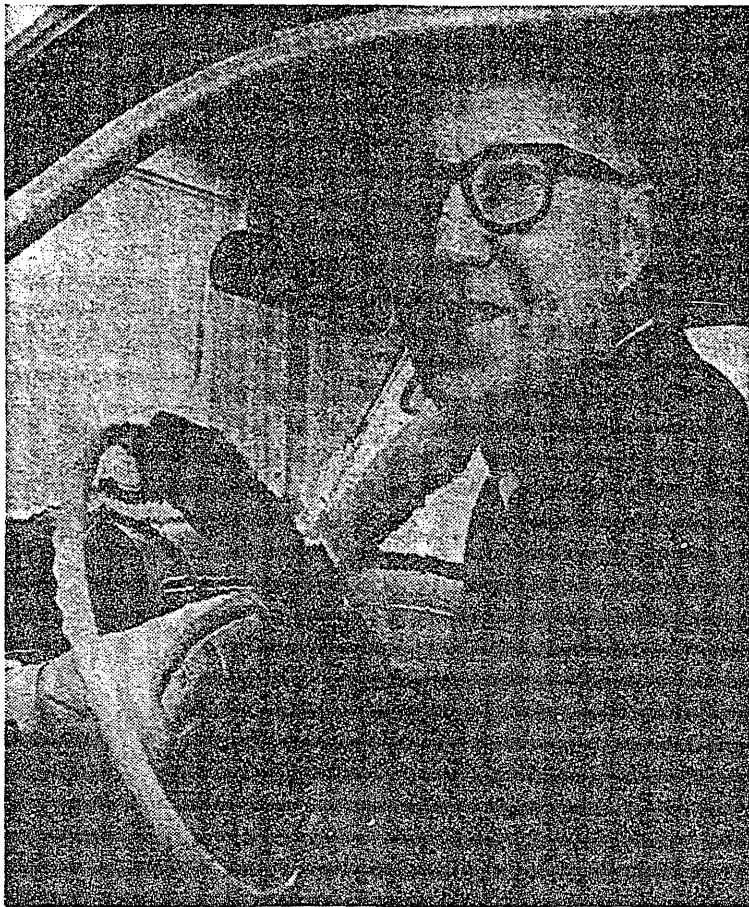
HUBERT CAMPAIGNS IN WATTS—Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey campaigned in Watts today with labor leader Walter Reuther at his side and told Negroes "things are beginning to change and they are changing for the better." There were no welcoming crowds at the first two stops of the day—the Watts Manufacturing Co., a subsidiary of Aerojet General, and a poultry ranch in a residential neighborhood. Both projects are designed to give jobs and economic help to residents of Watts.

International

MORE CHINA FIGHTING REPORTED—Civil war has been raging throughout Red China's Kwangsi Province bordering North Vietnam in the past six months and some 50,000 people have been massacred, a purported Red Guard publication seen here today said. Fighting between supporters and enemies of Chairman Mao Tse-tung has spread to 56 cities, counties and towns in Kwangsi, the publication said.

Happy Birthday Tomorrow

Miss Nancy Adams, Edward G. Brown, Thomas J. Carey, Mrs. Reed Coday, Miss Pat Forbis, Mrs. W. W. Fuqua, Mrs. W. F. Gerard, Mrs. J. Barnard Gibbs, Jim Greenspan, Mrs. Robert L. Kemper, A. W. Lanham, Mrs. George W. Parker, Miss Pat Pearson, George Rice, Betty Westbrook, Deborah Suzann Ridgway



Off to New Job With New Heart

Everett Thomas drove his own car to his new job this morning. The job is with a Houston, Tex., bank—across the street from St. Luke's

Hospital where he received a new heart on May 3. The 47-year-old accountant, formerly of Phoenix, appeared ready to go. (Unifax)

Soviet Vows to Halt Reforms

Czechs, Russians Meet For Red Bloc Showdown

CIERNA NAD TISOU, Czechoslovakia (UPI)—Czech and Soviet leaders met today in a movie house in this Czech village in an attempt to settle peacefully a Communist bloc crisis the Russians have threatened to end by force.

The 11-man presidium of the Czechoslovak Communist Party and the 11-man Politburo of the Soviet Union's Communist Party arrived by special trains in this village just 200 yards from the border of the Russian Ukraine and with the Ukrainian town of Chop a major transfer point on the railroad to Moscow.

The Czech and Soviet trains were drawn up about 50 yards apart with the locomotive of each stopped just at the edge of the low, tile-roofed station. The actual meetings were taking place across the village main street from the railway station.

A Russian army signals unit set up a transmitter next to the Russian train, apparently to send messages to a similar receiver established across the Russian border. Russian soldiers and army vehicles could be seen in positions in the low bushes east of the border to protect this unprecedented meeting of the full leadership of two Communist nations.

A ring of blue uniformed Czech policemen surrounded the village and train, keeping all but local residents a quarter mile from the confrontation of the Soviet Communist Party Politburo and the Czech party presidium.

But viewers outside the police line could look across the flat muddy fields, near the Soviet borders, and see the two trains of green passenger coaches parked at the Cierna railway station.

First Request Filed For Regional Project

The Mid-Missouri Regional Planning Commission has received its first application for approval of a local project, A. C. (Jack) Mustain, presiding judge of the County Court and member of the commission, said today.

California, Mo., filed for approval of a recirculation and volume dilution system for a local lagoon, Mustain said. The petition to the commission said that water drawn from the lagoon would be better refined with the proposed system.

The commission was dedicated July 9 at Fulton by Gov. Warren Hearnes and includes Boone, Cooper, Cole, Howard, Monticau, Osage and Audrain counties. It is one of seven regional planning authorities encouraged by the State Planning Commission which are already operating in Missouri.

The California project include a skimming device for water drawn from the lagoon. Mustain said the application also would have to be sent to the State Water Pollution Board for approval.

LBJ Has Note For Historians

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Johnson said today a future historian may find America's greatest domestic failure was the lack of national attention to the mass desertion of rural areas for the cities in the 1950s.

"We would be a better nation today," the President said, if "we had faced the rural crisis in the 1950s." Now, he said, the nation must face an urban as well as a rural crisis.

In a statement made to officers of the National Association of Counties meeting here, Johnson called for "balanced development of America's cities, her suburbs and her rural areas."

Pope Declares Birth Control 'Illicit, Excluded'

VATICAN CITY (UPI)—Pope Paul VI today overruled liberals within the Roman Catholic Church and banned the pill and all other artificial means of birth control. A Vatican spokesman said the Pope knew his decision "would not be easily accepted by all." The pontiff, in a 38-page encyclical to his bishops, upheld centuries of church law against demands for change. And in doing so he used some of the strongest, most unequivocal words of his pontificate.

"The direct interruption of the generative process already begun . . . (is) to be absolutely excluded as illicit means of regulating birth," he said. He said the ban also applies to abortion, permanent or temporary sterilization and to every act that would "render procreation impossible."

The 70-year-old pontiff spoke forcefully but he did not exercise the church doctrine of papal infallibility in making his pronouncement; that is, "Ex Cathedra" (from the Chair of Peter). The ruling, therefore, did not have in church doctrine the status of an infallible pronouncement which Catholics are compelled to accept on pain of mortal sin.

Catholic teaching says a decision of the Pope must be accepted and obeyed by all church members. But in making it he rejected the recommendation of a liberal majority of his birth control study commission. Vatican observers predicted today's document would provoke a major crisis within the church.

The Pope's decision was announced by Msgr. Ferdinando Lambruschini, the Vatican's theologian, who called it an act of great courage. He said Paul acted "knowing it would not be easily accepted by all."

The decision is uncompromisingly conservative in maintaining the church's traditional opposition to artificial means of birth control, and it comes as Catholic resistance to this stand appears to be growing.

Only Sunday nearly half the priests in the Washington, D.C., Archdiocese rebelled against their Cardinal's rejection of contraception for Roman Catholics.

Those were isolated examples, but liberal churchmen in Rome predicted that a conservative statement would create a crisis, and they did not exclude the possibility many Catholics will leave the church in disappointment.

Some Catholic liberals in the United States, anticipating the conservative decision, have already made clear they would not feel bound in conscience by a papal restatement of the old position.

The Rev. Hans Kung, a Swiss theologian, provided Catholic liberals with a rationale for disagreeing with the Pope's view that every matrimonial act must remain open to the transmission of life. He (Continued on Page 5)

Citizen Prefers Sleep to Bugs In Wee Hours

WASHINGTON (UPI)—This story was making the rounds of the White House today.

Early this morning, about 6 a.m., National Park Service workers were spraying trees in the White House south grounds as a protection against insects and plant disease.

The spray crew was moving around the circular driveway spraying the trees next to the White House when a tall man in pajamas emerged on the second floor balcony in an angry mood.

It seems that on a cool night President Johnson had been sleeping with his bedroom window open and awakened to find insect spray floating into the room.

The President suggested rather firmly that the men spray elsewhere. They did.

Rivalry Sounds As GOP Begins Platform Talks

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP)—Republican platform writers went to work today under advice to keep the campaign document neutral as between GOP presidential hopefuls—but a note of rivalry sounded at the very first session.

Harold Stassen, long-time seeker of the presidential nomination, accused New York Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller and Richard M. Nixon of being enmeshed in what he called the errors of the Democratic administration's Vietnam policy. Stassen challenged those he said are "regarded as the front runners" to appear in person before the platform-writing group.

Neither Nixon nor Rockefeller has asked for time at the platform committee hearings, which are a prelude to next week's nomination convention, but it was understood both intend to present some ideas through friendly witnesses.

Stassen was one of the first witnesses before the committee.

"We don't know who is going to be the nominee," the platform committee chairman, Sen. Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois, said. "I'm keeping myself free from that controversy—if it is a controversy." He said he hopes other members of the committee will refrain from pushing for their favorites through platform wording.

Residents Seek Road District Enlargement

Petitions are being circulated to enlarge the Columbia Special Road District in order to include it on the Nov. 3 ballot.

Prosecuting Attorney Frank Conley drew up the petition at the request of W. B. Smith, Route 4.

The proposal would extend the present boundaries two miles on each side. The present district encompasses 144 square miles and the addition would add 52 square miles.

If extended, residents within the district would have more money to build better roads without a tax increase.

Thirty-five signatures are needed from registered voters in the present district in addition to signatures from no less than 50 per cent of the registered voters in the area encompassing the proposed addition.

Wisconsin Man Drowns in Pool At Local Motel

Aldonis Ezirins, West Allis, Wis., drowned at 11 p.m. Saturday after falling and hitting his head on the side of the swimming pool at the Arrowhead Motel.

Dr. Richard Johnson, county coroner, said it was "accidental drowning" and no inquest would be held. The body was to be sent to Wisconsin today.

Police said they found Ezirins lying face downward on the bottom of the pool. They pulled him from the water and began mouth-to-mouth respiration, but their efforts were unsuccessful.

Miss Dorothy Kwaliek, also of West Allis, said she saw Ezirins fall and jumped into the pool to attempt a rescue. Miss Kwaliek was floating face down on the water when the police arrived, and was revived by the mouth-to-mouth technique. She was taken to the Boone County Hospital for treatment and released yesterday.

Two Kansans Arrested

Boat 'Turns' Into Dock

A routine police stop for faulty turn signals on a boat trailer led to the arrest of two Kansans on a charge of boat theft yesterday at Business Loop 70 and Providence Road.

Thomas Raymond Ware, 27, Overland Park, and a passenger in the car, Miss Bonnie Sue Schwarzenholz, 27, Shawnee Mission, are being held in the city jail for theft of more than \$50 in connection with the theft. Police said the boat and trailer were stolen from a service station in Kansas where they had been impounded.

Ware and Miss Schwarzenholz had

been charged with stealing the same boat earlier and were out on bail when they allegedly recaptured the craft.

Police stopped Ware when the signals on the rear of the boat trailer did not operate. On closer investigation, they noticed the boat lacked proper identification on the side. The State Highway Patrol was called and it was learned the boat was missing from Kansas after its theft in Minnesota.

Police also charged Miss Schwarzenholz with permitting an unlicensed person to operate a motor vehicle when it was discovered that Ware did not have a driver's license.